BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

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COMPLAINANT

VS.

NO. 672-1910

TIFFANY THURMAN JONES, BROKER

RESPONDENT

AGREED ORDER

This cause came before the Mississippi Real Estate Commission (sometimes hereinafter "Commission") pursuant to authority of Mississippi Code Ann. §73:35-1, et seq. on a formal complaint brought against Respondent Tiffany Thurman Jones, Broker. Prior to a hearing before the Commission, it was announced that an agreement was reached as to the resolution of these matters alleged and any resulting disciplinary action that may be imposed upon the Respondent, Tiffany Thurman Jones, Broker. This agreement is in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings on this Complaint. By entering into this Agreed Order, Respondent Tiffany Thurman Jones waives her right to a hearing with full due process and the right to appeal any adverse decision resulting from that hearing. Having reached an agreement on this matter, the Commission issues this, its Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Disciplinary Order as follows:

Respondent Tiffany Thurman Jones, sometimes hereinafter cailed "Respondent Jones", is an adult resident citizen of TN whose last known address of record with the Commission is 25 Greenwood Ave., Savannah, TN. Respondent Jones is the holder of a real estate broker's license issued by the Commission pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §73-35-1, et seq., as amended and, as such, she is subject to all provisions, rules, regulations and statutes governing the sale and transfer of real estate and licensing of real estate brokers under Mississippi law.

II.

The investigation began over receipt of a written complaint from a fellow MS broker that Respondent Jones was operating a real estate company in Mississippi under a company name not licensed by the Commission and, further, that advertising under an unlicensed company name has also occurred in Mississippi. Thereafter, the Commission opened its full investigation of the matter.

III.

Investigation showed that Respondent Jones did not have any company license issued by the Commission. Respondent Jones has, however, represented and displayed, through advertising, the company name of Tiffany Jones Real Estate in Mississippi. This entity was never licensed as a company with the Commission. Records show that the Respondent's real estate activities have since only recently become licensed by this Commission under the Mississippi corporate name that Respondent Jones created and has been using for some years.

IV.

V.

The above and foregoing described acts and omissions of the Respondent constitutes violations of the Miss. Real Estate Brokers License Act of 1954, as amended, M. C. A., §73-35-1, et seq., and Commission Rules and Regulations, and, more specifically, M.C.A. §73-35-6, §73-35-21(1)(a), (c), (d) and (n), and Commission Rules 1.1 F., 3.1F., 3.3 and 4.2 G(5) which provide, in relevant parts:

§73-35-6 Licenses for business entities; A corporation, partnership, company or association shall be granted a license when individual broker's licenses have been issued to every member, owner, partner or officer of such partnership, company, association or corporation who actively participates in its brokerage business and when any required fee is paid.

§73-35-21(1)(A) Making any substantial misrepresentation in connection with a real estate transaction;

§73-35-21(1)(C) Pursuing a continued and flagrant course of misrepresentation...... through agents or salespersons or any medium of advertising or otherwise;

§73-35-21(1)(D) any misleading or untruthful advertising;

§73-35-21(1)(N) Any act or conduct, whether of the same or a different character than hereinabove specified, which constitutes or demonstrates incompetency... or improper dealing...

Rule 1.1 Applying for a License

F. If a corporation has been chartered by the state of Mississippi, the license will be issued in the corporate name except that no license will be issued for a corporation, company, or trade name where there exists in that county or trade area a real estate broker or real estate agency having a substantially similar name.